



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Chih-I LIN et al. Confirmation No: 3391  
Appl. No. : 10/611,997  
Filed : July 3, 2003  
Title : Device and System for Anchoring Tissue to Bond

TC/A.U. : 3731  
Examiner : M. G. Mendoza

Docket No.: LINC3176/REF  
Customer No: 23364

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extend pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for ONE (1) month to December 9, 2005.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a) for a one month extension of time is \$60.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Small entity status has been established. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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